REPORTS

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OFFICERS

OF THE

TOWN OF WESTON, 1889.

TOWN CLERK.

GEORGE W. CUTTING.

SELECTMEN AND OVERSEERS OF THE POOR.

HENRY J. WHITE, ARTHUR L. COBURN,
HENRY J. JENNISON.

ASSESSORS.

ALONZO S. FISKE, HENRY J. WHITE,
FRANK H. UPHAM.

SCHOOL COMMITTEE.

REV. CHARLES F. RUSSELL, 3 years.
NAHUM SMITH, 2 years. FRANK H. UPHAM, 1 year.

TRUSTEES OF MERRIAM FUND.

EDWARD COBURN, HENRY J. WHITE,
GEORGE W. CUTTING.

TREASURER AND COLLECTOR.

HORACE HEWS,
(Resigned July 29, 1889.)
HENRY J. WHITE,
(Appointed Treasurer and Collector *pro tempore*, July 31, 1889.)

AUDITOR.

HERMAN A. TRAIN.

LIBRARY COMMITTEE.

OLIVER R. ROBBINS, 3 yrs., HORACE S. SEARS, 2 yrs.,
ELIZABETH S. GOWING, 1 yr.

LIBRARY TREASURER.

HORACE HEWS.

BURIAL GROUND COMMITTEE.

EDWARD COBURN, 3 yrs., GEORGE E. HOBBS, 2 yrs.,
LUTHER FRANK UPHAM, 1 yr.

ROAD COMMISSIONERS.

THOMAS E. COBURN, 3 yrs., BENJ. F. CUTTER, 2 yrs.,
MARSHALL L. UPHAM, 1 yr.

MEASURERS OF WOOD AND BARK.

District No. 1. GEORGE W. CUTTING.
" No. 1. MERRILL FRENCH.
" No. 2. EDWARD E. BROWN.
" No. 3. GEORGE W. DUNN.
" No. 4. DANIEL GARFIELD.
" No. 4. ALFRED L. CUTTING.
" No. 5. CHARLES S. CUTTER.
" No. 6. HORACE LEADBETTER.

SURVEYORS OF LUMBER.

DANIEL SMITH, DANIEL GARFIELD,
BENJAMIN F. CUTTER.

FENCE VIEWERS.

NATHAN BARKER, SAMUEL F. CLARK,
HENRY J. JENNISON.

FIELD DRIVERS.

FRANK H. UPHAM, RALPH KENNEY,
BENJAMIN R. PARKER.

CONSTABLES

NATHAN BARKER, JR., NATHAN S. FISKE.

SEALERS OF WEIGHTS AND MEASURES.

DANIEL SMITH.

FOREST FIRE WARDS.

CHARLES A. WARREN, CHARLES EMERSON,
HENRY G. RUSSELL.

POUND KEEPER.

NATHAN BARKER, JR.

PUBLIC WEIGHER.

GEORGE W. CUTTING.

SPECIAL POLICE OFFICERS.

MERRILL FRENCH, JAMES M. SMITH,
WILLIAM H. MEAD, WILLIAM SEAVER.

BOARD OF HEALTH.

FRED W. JACKSON, OLIVER R. ROBBINS,
EDWARD COBURN.

UNDERTAKER.

FRANK H. UPHAM.

REGISTRARS' REPORT FOR 1889.

BIRTHS.

Total number of births registered in town during the year 1889, 25; males, 13; females, 12. American parentage, 12; foreign, 8; American and foreign, 5.

Births, 1889.

Perly Kimball,	Jan. 1.
Gladys Gertrude Broderick,	Feb. 18.
John Francis Looby,	" 18.
George Perley Dow,	Mar. 9.
Guy Harris Graham,	" 28.
Elizabeth Cutting Kenney,	Apr. 12.
Mary Lillian Denney,	May 9.
Gardner Tucker,	" 20.
Maurice Freeman,	" 20.
Arthur Leckie Copeland,	" 25.
——— Bolton,	" 25.
William Henry Caunt,	" 26.
George Franklin Murdock,	June 3.
William Henry Riley,	" 23.
Eva May Wark,	Aug. 22.
Ethelyn Josephine Russell,	Sep. 25.
Florence Ellen Gowell,	Oct. 9.
Mary Ellen Farry,	" 10.
Edith Hazer Young,	" 10.
Ruth Mildred Newton,	" 15.
John Wesley Jones,	Nov. 21.
Adeline Beverly Beadle,	" 24.
Genevieve Faustina Hines,	" 28.
Alice Doyle,	Dec. 12.
Raymond Egbert Sherburne,	" 24.

MARRIAGES.

Number of marriage certificates issued,	12
Marriages registered,	14

Parties native born, 23; foreign, 4; unknown, 1; natives of the town, 6; age of the youngest groom, 21; oldest, 38; youngest bride, 19; oldest, 28.

DEATHS.

The number of deaths registered this year was 25; males, 13; females, 12.

Condition: Married, 6; Single, 14; Widowed, 4; Unknown, 1.

Name, age and condition of persons deceased aged seventy years and upwards:

Francis Hastings,	79 yrs.,	9 mo.,	24 days,	Widowed.
Marshall Cutting,	70 "	10 "	22 "	Married.
Albert Hobbs,	89 "	8 "	23 "	"
Lucy Leadbetter,	94 "	3 "	25 "	Widow.

Number deceased under 5 years is	7
" " between 5 and 10 "	None.
" " " 10 " 20 "	3
" " " 20 " 30 "	1
" " " 30 " 40 "	None.
" " " 40 " 50 "	2
" " " 50 " 60 "	2
" " " 60 " 70 "	5
Unknown	1
Total,	25

Number of native born, 22; foreign born, 2; unknown, 1.

Cause of Death.

Probably Cancer of Liver, 1; Eczema, 1; Still Born, 3; Heart Disease, 1; Marasmus, 1; Cerebral Congestion, 1; Apoplexy, 2; Pulmonary Phthisis, 1; Cremation, 1; Hanging, 1; Syphlitis, 1; Pneumonia, 4; Puerperal Peritonitis, 1; Peritonitis, 1; Old Age, 1; Phthisis Pulmonalis, 1; Membranous Laryngitis, 1; Diarrhœa, 1; Cholera Infantum, 1.

There were 6 deaths in January, 3 in February, 3 in March, 1 in April, 1 in May, 2 in June, 3 in August, 2 in September, 1 in October, 2 in November and 1 in December.

The number of Dogs licensed was 142.

Amount received for licensing—

127	Male Dogs at $2 00 each,	$254 00
14	Female " 5 00 "	70 00
1	" Special,	25 00
142	Total,	$349 00
	Deduct fees for Licenses,	28 40
	Paid County Treasurer as per his receipts,	$320 60

Respectfully submitted,

GEO. W. CUTTING, *Town Clerk.*

AUDITOR'S REPORT.

STATEMENT OF EXPENSES.

PUBLIC SCHOOLS.

Appropriation,		$5,000 00
Massachusetts School Fund,		158 84
F. E. Whittemore, Prin. of High School,	$399 99	
B. J. Hinds, " " " "	666 66	
Georgia Kimball, Assist. of High School	166 67	
Elizabeth S. White, " " "	346 56	
M. Eva Warren, Intermediate School,	550 00	
Gertrude E. Thompson, Primary School, No. 1.	250 00	
Susie E. Cutter, Primary School, No. 1,	177 76	
Lura A. Dunn, " " " 2,	400 00	
Alice M. Dearing, " " " 3,	328 19	
Lillie I. Dunn, " " " 3,	71 75	
Anna C. Coburn, " " " 4,	550 00	
Lizzie J. Viles, " " " 5,	450 00	
L. A. Doane, " " " 6,	133 32	
E. Agnes Parker, " " " 6,	266 68	
Charles E. Boyd, Music,	250 00	
Geo. E. Morris, Drawing,	64 10	
		$5,071 68
Balance unexpended,		$87 16

SCHOOL INCIDENTALS.

Appropriation,		$1,500 00
J. C. Clark, printing programmes, cards, etc.,	$18 00	
Somers & Starbuck, printing cards,	1 50	
E. H. Atwood, express,	7 35	
F. H. Upham, sundry persons, care of rooms, Spring term,	24 00	
M. French, Janitor High School, Spring term,	45 00	
M. French, sundry items,	3 00	
Walker & Pratt, stove for school No. 6,	15 00	
F. A Robinson, labor as per bill,	39 91	
J. J. Brown, " "	9 55	
D. Smith, " "	9 90	
J. S. Gould, " "	35 00	
E. W. Russell, " "	172 98	
F. Jennison, " "	5 00	
R. W. Stewart, " "	29 50	
E. L. Bemis, " "	26 81	
S. Bissell, " "	35 00	
A. H. Dunn, " "	2 60	
T. E. Coburn, " "	1 00	
Geo. S. Perry, articles for schools,	116 24	
A. B. Nims, " " "	48 38	
J. C. White, " " "	2 63	
Thomas Hall, " " "	6 00	
Chas. E. Boyd, " " "	6 72	
W. E. Sibley, " " "	2 00	
Samuel Ward & Co., " " "	5 63	
Geo. E. Morris, " " "	1 92	
P. A. Gary, " " "	2 50	
Amounts carried forward,	$673 12	$1,500 00

Amounts brought forward,	$673 12	$1,500 00
Oliver Ditson & Co., articles for schools,	54	
E. S. Ritchie, " " "	23 25	
E. Agnes Parker, " " "	34	
Kendall & Higgins, " " "	10 00	
Balch Brothers, 1 set Redpath's History,	12 00	
J. B. Lippincott & Co., Biographical Dictionary,	16 00	
Anna C. Coburn, for work at school room,	1 50	
F. H. Upham, sundry persons, care of rooms, Fall term,	24 00	
F. H. Upham, sundry persons, care of rooms, Winter term,	30 00	
F. H. Upham, sundry persons, for labor as per bill,	36 50	
F. H. Upham, desk for High School,	21 60	
M. L. Upham, "	155 00	
Geo. F. Jones, "	60 50	
E. L. Bemis, "	51 18	
Geo. H. Stratton, "	30 39	
L. F. Upham, "	28 00	
Charles Emerson, coal for High Scool,	145 28	
Buttrick Lumber Co., lumber,	52 39	
Smith & Anthony Stove Co., labor on furnace,	16 45	
M. French, Janitor High School, Fall term,	40 00	
M. French, Janitor High School, Winter term,	65 00	
M. French, phosphate,	2 00	
		$1,495 04
Balance unexpended,		$4 96

TEXT BOOKS.

	Appropriation,		$400 00
March.	Boston School Supply Co., text books,	29 50	
	Harrison Hume, text books,	2 80	
	Cowperthwait & Co., text books,	60 55	
	Harper & Brother, " "	15 42	
	Leach, Shewall & Sanborn, text books,	5 74	
	Samuel Ward & Co., text books,	12 34	
	Wm. Ware & Co., " "	10 00	
April.	Wm. Ware & Co , " "	3 45	
	Harper & Brother, " "	8 96	
	Carl Schoenhof, " "	11 40	
	D. Appleton & Co., " "	10 80	
	Ginn & Co., " "	25 05	
May.	Leach, Shewall & Sanborn, text books,	3 15	
	Silver, Burdett & Co., text books,	3 36	
	Charles H. Kilburn, " "	1 00	
	Wm. Ware & Co., " "	5 00	
June.	Harper & Brother, " "	36	
	Boston School Supply Co., text books,	88 02	
Sept.	Boston School Supply Co., text books,	67	
	Ginn & Co., text books,	4 16	
	A. S. Barnes & Co., text books,	9 79	
	Leach, Shewall & Sanborn, text books,	50	
	Wm. Ware & Co., text books,	5 50	
Oct.	Silver, Burdett & Co., text books,	5 34	
	Amounts carried forward,	$322 86	$400 00

Amounts brought forward,		$322 86	$400 00
Nov.	Boston School Supply Co., text books,	1 45	
Dec.	D. C. Heath & Co., text books,	5 34	
	Ginn & Co., " "	11 25	
	Silver, Burdett & Co., " "	47 67	
1890.			
Feb.	Wm. Ware & Co., " "	10 75	
			$399 32
	Balance unexpended,		68

TOWN INCIDENTALS.

Appropriation,		$1,200 00
E. A. Jones, printing Town Reports,	82 00	
H. J. White, sundry persons distributing Town Reports,	3 00	
H. J. White, sundry persons distributing notices of Town Meeting,	3 00	
Somers & Starbuck, printing,	24 00	
Conant & Newhall, "	4 75	
H. J. White, printing Election notices and sundry persons distributing same,	4 00	
H. J. White, perambulating Town lines,	5 00	
H. J. Jennison, " " "	5 00	
A. L. Coburn, " " "	2 50	
American Express Co., express,	55	
F. D. Perry, distributing ballots,	1 50	
F. I. Fuller, " "	1 50	
C. White, raising halyards,	2 00	
Amounts carried forward,	$138 80	$1,200 00

Amounts brought forward,	$138 80	$1,200 00
A. T. Noyes, plans for stone bridge on South Avenue,	116 50	
J. Hinman, Babcock Fire Extinguishers,	180 00	
Traders & Mechanics Ins. Co., insurance on Town House,	31 00	
John H. Hussey, repairing pump,	6 93	
M. F. Tracy & Son, voting shelf and compartments,	18 00	
Charles Emerson, coal for Town House,	13 77	
F. R. Williams, revoicing and tuning piano,	5 00	
N. Barker, Jr., services as Constable,	73 00	
Nathan S. Fiske, " " "	11 00	
A. S. Fiske, administering oath to Town Officers,	3 00	
A. S. Fiske, examining Bank and Corporation Tax,	5 00	
A. S. Fiske, stationery for Assessors,	5 50	
A. S. Fiske, Assessors' extra returns to Secretary of State,	10 00	
M. French, services as Special Police,	2 00	
Wm. H. Mead, " " "	2 50	
J. M. Smith, " " "	13 25	
H. G. Russell, watching fire,	2 00	
A. B. Nims, articles for Town Hall and Library,	38 38	
Geo. W. Cutting, return of births and deaths,	40 60	
F. H. Upham, return of deaths,	3 00	
F. H. Upham, articles for Assessors,	2 00	
Amounts carried forward,	$721 23	$1,200 00

Amounts brought forward,	$721 23	$1200 00
F. W. Jackson, M. D., return of births and deaths,	10 25	
F. W. Jackson, M. D., vaccination,	21 50	
Town of Linden Tax,	9 85	
Theodore Jones, care of Town clock,	25 00	
Theodore Jones, sundry items,	5 55	
E. H. Atwood, express,	95	
J. W. Moore, team furnished Selectmen,	2 00	
Fitzgerald Brothers, carriage hire,	5 50	
Wm. Seaver, " "	2 90	
G. S. Locke, City Marshall of Concord, N. H.,	30 00	
J. M. Smith, care of Town Hall,	93 50	
J. S. Gould, labor as per bill,	12 50	
W. N. Gowell, " "	8 00	
E. L. Bemis, " "	7 50	
Geo. W. Cutting, stationery and express,	2 99	
Geo. H. Jones, services rend. Selectmen,	2 50	
Edward Pierce, wood,	11 30	
Waltham Free Press, printing,	15 00	
		$988 02
Balance unexpended,		$211 98

HIGHWAYS.

B. F. CUTTER, *Road Commissioner.*

Appropriation,				$5,500 00
Amount transferred from East Newton Street,				4 25
March	Self,	5½ days,	8 75	
	Men,	17½ "	26 25	
Amounts carried forward,			$35 00	$5,504 25

Amounts brought forward,			$ 35 00	$5,504 2
	Horses,	15½ days,	27 12	
April	Self,	15 "	37 50	
	Men,	93 "	162 75	
	Horses,	42 "	63 00	
	C. A. Warren, as per bill,		104 03	
May	Self,	4 "	10 00	
	Men,	75½ "	132 12	
	Horses,	43 "	64 50	
	C. A. Warren, as per bill,		123 38	
June	Self,	4 "	10 00	
	Men,	47½ "	83 12	
	Horses,	34½ "	51 75	
	C. A. Warren, as per bill,		108 01	
	Geo. F. Jones, " " "		9 75	
Aug.	Self,	6 "	15 00	
	Men,	54½ "	95 37	
	Horses	21 "	31 50	
	C. A. Warren, as per bill,		103 88	
Sept.	Self,	10½ "	26 25	
	Men,	44¾ "	78 32	
	Horses,	34½ "	51 75	
	C. A. Warren, as per bill,		59 83	
Oct.	Self,	1 "	2 50	
	Men,	9 "	15 75	
	Horses,	8½ "	12 75	
	Geo. F. Jones, as per bill,		6 75	
	Richard Green, "		2 00	
Nov.	Self,	3 "	7 50	
	Men,	9 "	15 75	
	Horses,	8 "	12 00	
	C. A. Warren, as per bill,		20 75	
Amounts carried forward,			$1,579 68	$5,504 25

Amounts brought forward,				$1,579 68	$5,504 25
1890					
Feb.	B. F. Cutter, as per bill,			62 69	
M. L. UPHAM, *Road Commissioner.*					
March	Self,	3	days,	7 50	
	Men,	14	"	21 00	
	Horses,	9	"	13 50	
April	Self,	20	"	50 00	
	Men,	80	"	140 00	
	Horses,	60	"	90 00	
	E. Bemis,	7	"	12 25	
	J. H. Hussey, as per bill,			48 25	
May	Self,	16	"	40 00	
	Men,	64	"	112 00	
	Horses,	68	"	102 00	
	Oxen,	3	"	6 00	
	Geo. W. Dunn, as per bill,			76 40	
June	Self,	18	"	45 00	
	Men,	72	"	126 00	
	Horses,	72	"	108 00	
July	Self,	4	"	10 00	
	Men,	45	"	78 75	
	Horses,	30	"	45 00	
	J. H. Hussey, as per bill,			34 12	
Aug.	Self,	18	"	45 00	
	Men,	90	"	157 50	
	Horses,	72	"	108 00	
	J. H. Hussey, as per bill,			59 50	
Sept.	Self,	15	"	37 50	
	Men,	44	"	77 00	
	Horses,	27	"	40 50	
Amounts carried forward,				$3,333 14	$5,504 25

Amounts brought forward,				$3,333 14	$5,504 25
	Man and horse,	6	days,	19 50	
	J. H. Hussey, as per bill,			82 17	
Oct.	Self,	16	"	40 00	
	Men,	32	"	56 00	
	Horses,	64	"	96 00	
	Geo. W. Dunn, as per bill,			20 00	
	J. H. Hussey, " "			87 06	
Nov.	Self,	20	"	50 00	
	Men,	60	"	105 00	
	Horses,	56	"	84 00	
	J. H. Hussey, as per bill,			94 50	
Dec.	Self,	6	"	15 00	
	Men,	15	"	26 25	
	Horses,	20	"	30 00	
	Oxen,	2½	"	5 00	
H. Parker,		6½	"	13 00	
J. H. Hussey, as per bill,				26 25	

T. E. COBURN, *Road Commissioner.*

April.	Self,	16	days,	40 00	
	Men,	56½	"	98 87	
	Horses,	38½	"	57 75	
	Boy,			75	
	A. H. Dunn, as per bill,			55 25	
	Blasting,			24	
May.	Self,	3½	"	8 75	
	Men,	12	"	21 00	
	Horses,	7½	"	11 25	
June.	Self.	8	"	20 00	
	Men,	37	"	64 75	
	Horses,	24½	"	36 75	
Amounts carried forward,				$4,598 23	$5,504 25

Amounts brought forward,				$4,598 23	$5,504 25
	A. H. Dunn, as per bill,			13 38	
Aug.	Self,	2	"	5 00	
	Men,	7	"	12 25	
Sept.	Self,	2	"	5 00	
	Men,	4	"	7 00	
	Horses,	2	"	3 00	
Oct.	Self,	19	"	47 50	
	Men,	100	"	175 00	
	Horses,	74½	"	111 75	
	Boy,			35	
INCIDENTALS.					
	B. F. Cutter, articles for Highways,			15 68	
	M. L. Upham, articles for Highways and freight,			36 00	
	T. E. Coburn, articles for Highways,			18 10	
	Geo. F. Jones, gravel,			6 80	
	Mrs. Holbrook, "			23 40	
	Mrs. Jacobs, "			4 20	
	S. Tyler "			1 13	
	Geo. Steadman, "			6 56	
	A. S. Fiske, "			3 94	
	S. Hagar, "			14 33	
	J. Warren, "			25 20	
	E. R. Sibley, "			23 20	
	J. Schwartz, "			8 24	
	C. Jones, "			4 40	
	Curtis Robinson, "			39 30	
	Geo. W. Dunn, "			14 98	
	Nathan Barker, "			8 00	
	Wm. R. Wills, "			22 20	
Amounts carried forward,				$5,254 12	$5,504 25

Amounts brought forward,	$5,254 12	$5,504 25
Wm. N. Gowell, gravel,	1 50	
Lewis E. Roberts, "	4 80	
City of Watham, repairing Roberts Bridge,	39 92	
George Tyler, repairing road scraper,	8 50	
Daniel Garfield, repairing tools,	32 00	
J. G. Graham, " "	14 90	
D. Whitehead, drilling,	6 84	
A. B. Nims, articles for Highways,	36 18	
J. J. Brown, building fence,	11 00	
F. T. Fuller, labor as per bill,	9 88	
City of Waltham, lumber,	18 68	
Buttrick Lumber Co., lumber,	27 68	
Wm. Reed, bound stones,	38 25	
		$5,504 25

SALARIES OF TOWN OFFICERS.

Appropriation,				$1,600 00
Henry J. White,	services as	Selectman,	$75 00	
Arthur L. Coburn,	"	"	50 00	
Henry J. Jennison,	"	"	50 00	
Alonzo S. Fiske,	"	Assessor,	100 00	
Henry J. White,	"	"	38 00	
Frank H. Upham,	"	"	38 00	
Nahum Smith,	"	School Com.,	50 00	
Frank H. Upham,	"	"	50 00	
Charles F. Russell,	"	"	50 00	
Geo. W. Cutting,	"	Town Clerk,	150 00	
John Coburn,	"	Librarian,	300 00	
Amounts carried forward,			$951 00	$1,600 00

Amounts brought forward,	$951 00	$1,600 00
Henry J. White, services as Overseer of Poor,	15 00	
Arthur L. Coburn, services as Overseer of Poor,	15 00	
Henry J. Jennison, services as Overseer of Poor,	15 00	
Horace Hews, services as Treasurer and Collector,	208 33	
Henry J. White, services as Treasurer and Collector,	291 67	
Herman A Train, " Auditor,	50 00	
Herman A. Train, services as Auditor, examining and closing the account of Horace Hews, Ex-Treasurer and Collector,	10 00	
		$1,556 00
Balance unexpended,		$44 00

STREET LIGHTS.

Appropriation,		$500 00
Balance unexpended of 1888,		140 58
Morey, Churchill & Morey, articles for street lights,	$96 68	
Morton Russell, care of lights,	44 00	
W. P. Gould, " "	37 25	
Geo. Robinson, " "	30 00	
N. W. Turner. " "	11 00	
E. J. Clark, " "	77 08	
C. S. Tobey, " "	6 00	
A. E. King, " "	11 60	
Amounts carried forward,	$313 61	$640 58

Amounts brought forward,	$	$640 58
P. M. McAuliffe. " "	140 80	
Committee, sundry persons care of lights on North Avenue,	64 00	
Committee, sundry items,	4 50	
H. L. Brown, " "	3 40	
Boston & Maine R. R., freight,	56	
F. A. Robinson, labor as per bill,	2 00	
		$528 87
Balance unexpended,		$111 71

CEMETERIES.

Appropriation,		$900 00
L. F. Upham, superintending and labor as per bill,	345 95	
J. H. Hussey, as per contract,	380 75	
F. P. Johnson, serivces as Civil Engineer,	32 70	
Geo. Sanderson, plants and flowers,	10 00	
R. W. Stewart, labor as per bill,	28 00	
B. Pierce, " "	20 82	
Trustees,	15 00	
		833 22
Balance unexpended,		$66 78

(For items see Trustees Report.)

SUPPORT OF POOR.

Appropriation,		$1,000 00
Overseers of Poor, support at Almshouse,	$600 00	
Overseers of Poor, outside relief,	393 40	
		$993 40
Balance unexpended,		$6 60

(For items see Overseers Report.)

EXTENSION OF HIGH SCHOOL GROUNDS.

Appropriation,		$700 00
Balance unexpended of 1888,		76 57
H. L. Brown, labor as per bill,	$238 95	
J. H. Hussey, " "	194 06	
J. Caswell, " "	21 87	
J. G. Graham, " "	4 15	
A. L. Coburn, " "	19 50	
E. L. Bemis, " "	39 12	
F. Bent, posts, as per bill,	12 00	
A. B. Nims, articles for High School grounds,	5 13	
J. J. Brown, building fence,	74 94	
Buttrick Lumber Co., lumner,	104 75	
E. W. Russell, painting fence,	17 00	
H. J. White, gravel,	5 20	
		$736 67
Balance unexpended,		$39 90

INTEREST ON TOWN DEBT.

Appropriation,		$740 00
Amount,	$515 21	
Amount transferred to Discount and Abatements,	200 11	
		$715 32
Balance unexpended,		$24 68

DISCOUNTS AND ABATEMENTS.

Appropriation,		$800 00
Amount transferred from Interest,		$200 11
Amount,	1,000 11	
		$1,000 11

MEMORIAL DAY.

Appropriation,		$75 00
Committee, as per bill,	$60 00	
		$60 00
Balance unexpended,		$15 00

GRADING SCHOOL YARD, DISTRICT No. 4.

Appropriation, balance unexpended from 1888,		$45 36
H. G. Russell, labor as per bill,	$38 13	
T. E. Coburn, " "	2 26	
		$40 39
Balance unexpended,		$4 97

HORSE SHEDS.

Appropriation, balance unexpended from 1888,		$54 40
F. P. Johnson, services as Civil Engineer,	$23 90	
		$23 90
Balance unexpended,		$30 50

REPAIRS ON MERRIAM STREET.

Appropriation,		$500 00
T. E. Coburn, labor as per bill,	$496 78	
		$496 78
Balance unexpended,		$3 22

LIBRARY.

Appropriation, Dog Tax,		$267 90
Library Treasurer, dog tax refunded,	$267 90	
		$267 90

REPAIRS ON EAST NEWTON STREET.

Appropriation,		$500 00
B. F. Cutter, labor as per bill,	$342 26	
C. A. Warren, " "	63 45	
J. H. Hussey, " "	56 25	
Wm. Reed, covering stones,	32 25	
Ameunt transferred to Highways,	4 25	
		$498 46
Balance unexpended,		$1 54

STONE BRIDGE ON SOUTH AVENUE.

Appropriation,		$7,500 00
J. H. Leavitt, as per contract,	$4,397 81	
Albert F. Noyes, services as Civil Engineer,	202 50	
Albert F. Noyes, making new plans and contract,	55 25	
Albert F. Noyes, lines and grades for construction of Bridge,	10 50	
Wm. P. Morse, services as Inspector,	141 50	
Chas. A. Cole, as per contract,	230 00	
B. F. Cutter, labor as per bill,	66 50	
B. F. Cutter, services as member of Committee,	50 00	
Charles A. Warren, labor as per bill,	54 50	
Geo. L. Barker, " "	19 65	
R. F. Greene, " "	11 25	
C. Horton & Son, " "	30 00	
Buttrick Lumber Co., lumber,	29 51	
Mrs. Holbrook, gravel,	20 00	
		$5,318 97
Balance unexpended,		$2,181 03

CONTINGENCIES.

Appropriation, according to Article 15 of By-Laws,		$319 48
Mosler Safe Co., safe,	$319 48	
		$319 48

STATE AID.

Mrs. Harriet F. Stimpson,	$24 00	
Mrs. Martha Tucker,	48 00	
Hosea F. Travis,	48 00	
Lemuel A. Smith,	48 00	
		$168 00

Auditor's Account with Treasurer and Collector.

Dr.

Cash in Treasury, March 1, 1889,	$1,584 24
Mass. Corporation Tax, bal. for 1888,	196 94
" " " for 1889,	7,176 27
" Bank Tax for 1889,	2,195 66
" State Aid,	168 00
" School Fund,	158 84
County Treasurer, Dog Tax, refunded,	304 57
Nathan Barker, Jr., Auctioneer's license,	2 00
Rent of Town Hall,	113 00
Weighing fees,	31 60
Sale of burial lots,	127 80
Grass and wood sold,	14 50
Edward Coburn, Guardian of Caroline Harrington,	41 79
John Poutas, money refunded,	47 36
F. E. Whittemore, "	33 30
Mary R. Spring, burial fund,	150 00
George W. and J. B. Hagan, burial fund,	100 00
Waltham National Bank, temporary loans,	10,000 00
Tax Receipts for 1887,	26 12
Tax Receipts for 1888,	1,137 72
Tax Receipts for 1889,	15,308 47
Added Taxes, 1888,	2 00
" " 1889,	4 00
Interest on Taxes,	36 39
Uncollected Taxes for 1888,	47 99
" " 1889,	1,459 33
	$40,467 89

Auditor's Account with Treasurer and Collector.

Cr.

Schools,	5,071 68
School Incidentals,	1,495 04
Town "	988 02
Text Books,	399 32
Highways,	5,504 25
Support of Poor,	993 40
Cemeteries,	833 22
Salaries of Town Officers,	1,556 00
Interest on Debt,	515 21
Discount and Abatements,	1,000 11
Library,	267 90
Extension of High School Grounds,	736 67
Street Lights,	528 87
Horse Sheds,	23 90
Grading School Yard, Dist. No. 4,	40 39
Stone Bridge on South Avenue,	5,318 97
State Aid,	168 00
Memorial Day,	60 00
Repairs on Merriam Street,	496 78
Repairs on East Newton Street,	494 21
Contingencies,	319 48
Waltham National Bank Loans,	6,000 00
State Tax,	2,460 00
County Tax,	1,907 13
Cash in Treasury,	1,782 02
Uncollected Taxes, March 1, 1890,	1,507 32
	$40,467 89

Auditor's Account with Treasurer and Collector.

DEBT OF THE TOWN.

Mary F. Peirce,	$1,000 00	
Edward Peirce,	1,000 00	
Abigail Jones,	800 00	
First Parish, Weston,	400 00	
Trustees of Library Fund,	1,400 00	
Trustees of Silent Poor Fund,	3,208 00	
Marshall L. Hews,	750 00	
Burial Fund,	362 00	
Watham National Bank, Stone Bridge Loan,	4,000 00	
		$12,920 00

ASSETS OF THE TOWN.

Cash in Treasury,	$1,782 02	
Uncollected Taxes,	1,507 32	
State Aid,	168 00	
		$3,457 34
Total Debt,		$9,462 66

ASSESSOR'S VALUATION, MAY 1, 1890.

Total value of Real Estate,	$1,220,610	
Total value of Personal Estate,	970,470	
Total, value,		$2,191,080 00

Number of persons assessed on property,	368
Number of persons assessed on polls only,	261
Total number assessed,	629
Tax on Polls,	$992 00
Total Tax assessed,	16,767 80

RATE PER CENT:

State Tax on property,	.90	per $1,000 00
County " "	.65	"
Town " "	5.65	"
Total,	$7 20	

" " horses,	433
" " cows,	965
" " sheep,	14
" " neat cattle,	112
" " swine,	262
" " dwellings,	292
" " acres taxed,	10,426⅜

Respectfully submitted,

HERMAN A. TRAIN, *Auditor.*

WESTON, Feb. 28, 1890.

TREASURER'S ACCOUNT.

Dr.

Balance in Treasury, March 1, 1889,	$1,584 24
Rent of Town Hall,	113 00
Weighing fees,	31 60
Sale of burial lots,	127 80
Sale of grass and wood,	14 50
Burial funds,	250 00
Auctioneer's license,	2 00
Edward Coburn, Guardian,	41 79
John Poutas, money refunded,	47 36
F. E. Whittemore, money refunded,	33 30
Waltham National Bank, temporary loan,	10,000 00
Corporation tax, balance, 1888,	196 94
County of Middlesex, dog tax, refunded,	304 57
State of Massachusetts, income from school fund,	158 84
" " Corporation tax,	7,176 27
" " National Bank tax,	2,195 66
" " State Aid, refunded	168 00
Henry J. White, Collector, Taxes for 1887,	26 12
" " " 1888,	1,137 72
" " " 1889,	15,308 47
" " Added Taxes, 1888,	2 00
" " Added Taxes, 1889,	4 00
" " Interest on Taxes,	36 39
	$38,960 57

TREASURER'S ACCOUNT.

CR.

By paid State of Massachusetts, State Tax,	2,460 00
" County of Middlesex, County Tax,	1,907 13
" Waltham National Bank, temporary loan,	6,000 00
" Sundry persons, Selectmen's orders,	26,811 42
Balance in Treasury,	1,782 02
	$38,960 57

HENRY J. WHITE, *Treasursr.*

WESTON, Feb. 28, 1890.

TAXES UNCOLLECTED.

Tax of 1888,	$47 99	
Tax of 1889,	1,459 33	
		$1,507 32

HENRY J. WHITE, *Collector.*

WESTON, Feb. 28, 1890

TREASURER'S ACCOUNT

OF THE

MERRIAM FUND FOR THE SILENT POOR.

DR.

Balance in Treasury, March 1, 1889,	$299 30
Interest from Fund,	192 48
	$491 78

CR.

Paid Trustees' orders,	$135 04
Balance unexpended,	356 74
	$491 78

REPORT

OF THE

SELECTMEN AND OVERSEERS OF THE POOR.

The Almshouse remains under the charge of Mr. and Mrs. Mead, who have served the town faithfully during the past four years. At the beginning of the year there were two inmates: Mrs. John L. Seaverns, aged 67 years; Joseph H. Seaverns, aged 49 years; Mrs. Harriet Dudley, aged 62 years, was admitted November 23, 1889. Present number of inmates, 3.

143 tramps cared for during the year.

RECEIPTS FROM THE FARM.

Cash on hand,		$55 21
Cash received for sale of milk,		912 81
"	cows,	175 00
"	calves,	8 75
"	pickles,	32 25
"	eggs,	114 94
"	poultry,	31 03
"	peas,	16 00
"	hay,	50 00
"	board of Mrs. Cutter,	100 00
"	from Treasury,	600 00
		$2,095 99

EXPENSES.

Cash paid William H. Mead, superintending,	$365 00
" for groceries,	158 49
" flour and grain,	386 19
" brewers' grains,	215 60
" meat,	112 26
" fish, salt and soap,	19 82
" clothing,	7 93
" household goods,	27 47
" lumber,	19 17
" repairs,	84 85
" blacksmithing,	30 05
" medicine,	11 64
" hardware,	20 31
" cows,	301 00
" labor,	92 36
" farming tools,	23 06
" manure,	55 87
" Ploughman,	2 50
" plough, harness and robe,	19 85
" seeds and plants,	37 75
" hay,	3 14
" coal,	50 00
" sundries,	32 07
Cash in hand of Superintendent,	19 61
	$2,095 99

OUTSIDE RELIEF.

Cash paid	City of Waltham for aid rendered Mrs. Mary Veno and family,	74 40
"	Mrs. Mary Veno,	48 00
"	Medical attendance for Mary Ann Kelly and Lorenzo Leadbetter,	57 00
"	Frank H. Upham, undertaker, for burial expenses of Mary Ann Kelly and a stranger found dead near Charles River, name unknown,	41 25
"	John H. Black and J. Frank Bell, care and board of Lorenzo Leadbetter,	40 50
"	Removal to Hospital,	3 00
"	E. L. Bemis, board of Sidney E. Rice,	40 10
"	Commonwealth of Massachusetts, support of Caroline Harrington and Mary V. Poutas at Worcester Lunatic Hospital,	89 15
		$393 40
Cost at Almshouse,		600 00
Total cost,		$993 40

The Selectmen make the following estimates of expenditures for the ensuing year:

For Highways,	$5,500 00
" Schools,	5,400 00
" School Incidentals,	1,500 00
" Text Books,	500 00
" Support of Poor,	1,200 00
" Cemeteries,	300 00
" Interest on Debt,	800 00
" Salaries of Town Officers,	1,600 00
" Discount and Abatements,	800 00
" Town Incidentals,	1,200 00
	$18,800 00

JURY LIST.

The following names will be reported at the Annual March Meeting, to be placed in the jury box, subject to the revision of the town:

Amri Barker,
Emery L. Bemis,
Henry L. Brown,
Christopher H. Bryden,
Arthur L. Coburn,
George G. Cheney,
Hosea F. Davis,
Horace P. Heard,
George E. Hobbs,
Edward Leadbetter,
Isaac O. Lovewell,
Oliver R. Robbins,
Henry G. Russell,
Daniel Smith,
Francis B. Ripley,
T. Coburn Richardson,
George S. Sibley,
Augustus M. Upham,
Luther F. Upham,
Nathan E. Upham,
Charles H. Upham,
Samuel H. Warren.

TOWN WARRANT.

Articles in Warrant for Town Meeting to be held March 24, 1890.

The Meeting will be called at 1.00 o'clock, P. M.

ARTICLE 1. To choose a Moderator for said Meeting.

ARTICLE 2. To act upon the reports of the several Boards of Town Officers, and also to act upon the reports of any committee chosen by the Town.

ARTICLE 3. To choose all necessary Town Officers for the ensuing year.

ARTICLE 4. To grant and appropriate such sums of money as may be thought necessary to defray the Town charges for the ensuing year.

ARTICLE 5. To see if the Town will fix the compensation of the Treasurer and Collector of Taxes.

ARTICLE 6. To see if the Town will authorize the Treasurer, with the approval of the Selectmen, to borrow money in anticipation of Taxes, or act anything relative to the collection of taxes.

ARTICLE 7. To see if the Town will accept the List of Jurors as reported by the Selectmen.

ARTICLE 8. To vote upon the question: Shall licenses be granted for the sale of intoxicating liquors in this Town?

ARTICLE 9. To see if the Town will grant money for lighting streets, or act anything relative thereto.

ARTICLE 10. To see if the Town will grant money to carry out the orders of the County Commissioners with regard to Central Avenue, or act anything relative to said order.

ARTICLE 11. To see if the Town will grant money to carry out the orders of the County Commissioners with regard to East Newton Street, or act anything relative to said order.

ARTICLE 12. To see if the Town will appropriate money to improve Glen Road, or act anything relative thereto.

ARTICLE 13. To see if the Town will take any action with regard to its lost Records and to the collection of any historical papers of interest, or act anything relative to the same.

ARTICLE 14. To see if the Town will appropriate any sum of money for the erection of a new Library Building and for the purchase of a site, or act anything relative thereto.

ARTICLE 15. To see if the Town will appropriate the sum of two hundred and twenty-five dollars for the purchase and erection of a Flagstaff, or act anything relative to the same.

Respectfully submitted,

HENRY J. WHITE,
ARTHUR L. COBURN,
HENRY J. JENNISON,
Selectmen of Weston.

Article 16. To see if the Town will instruct the Road Commissioners to lay out a road from the junction of Concord and Sudbury Streets to a point on Central Avenue near the Baptist Church, or act anything relative thereto.

ROAD COMMISSIONERS' REPORT.

The money appropriated for Highways at the last annual meeting has been expended on the several streets in town as follows: Ash Street, $85; Bogle Street, $50; Church Street, $134; Chestnut Street, $40; Central Ave., $1500.; Elm Street, $50; Concord Street, $200; Forest Street, $117.25; Glen Road, $200; High Street, $125; Loring Place, $15; Lincoln Street, $8; Merriam Street, $41; Newton Street, $110; North Ave, $569.25; Lexington Street, $51; Oak Street, $25; Pine Street, $10; River Street, $50; Summer Street, $225; South Ave., $765; Sudbury Street, $25; School Street, $100; Wellesley Street, $390; Winter Street, $50; The balance of the money appropriated for roads, has been expended for covering-stone, for bound-stone and for gravel; also for planking two bridges, for repairing other bridges, and for tools, blacksmith's bills and other incidental expenses which will be found in the Auditor's Report.

The last year the roads have not been seriously damaged by very heavy freshets, but have been washed by the continued rains of the summer. The roads are at present in a bad condition on account of the heavy teams that pass over them, and the freezing and thawing of the past unusual Winter.

On this account we suggest that the money appropriated for the Highways be increased rather than diminished for the ensuing year. A larger sum of money than usual has been expended this year in clearing away the brush and trimming the trees, and this has seemed to give general satisfaction.

The sum of $500, appropriated for Merriam Street has

been expended, but did not prove sufficient to finish the work in a satisfactory manner. We therefore recommend that an aditional sum be granted to complete the work.

As authorized by the town, the County Commissioners have located, widened and straightened East Newton Street, and set the bounds to the width of 40 feet.

The sum of $500, granted for the purpose, has been expended between South Ave. and the Railroad Bridge, in laying a retaining wall, widening the road, and building a culvert. As this road is not yet completed, we ask that a sum of money be appropriated to finish this street in a suitable manner.

As our tax rate is lower than in most towns around us, our debt small, and we have no Stone Bridge to build the coming year, we would suggest that some special grants be made for the following streets: Summer, East Newton, Glen Road, Merriam, and Viles Streets.

Guide boards are maintained at the following places, viz: Corner of North Avenue and Lexington Street, North Avenue and Church Street, North Avenue and Forest Street, North Avenue and Lincoln Street, Concord and Merriam Streets, Concord and Sudbury Streets, Central Avenue and Concord Street, Central Avenue and School Street, Central Avenue and Wellesley Street, Wellesley and Newton Streets, Newton and Ash Streets, South Avenue and Wellesley Street, South Avenue and East Newton Street, South Avenue and River Street, River Street and Loring Place, Winter and Brown Streets.

Respectfully submitted,

BENJ. F. CUTTER,
MARSHALL L. UPHAM,
THOMAS E. COBURN,
} *Road Commissioners of Weston.*

REPORT

OF THE

COMMITTEE ON ROAD REPAIRS.

At the last annual meeting, it was voted that a committee of three be chosen to consider the subject of road repairs. The undersigned were chosen as that committee.

The subject is an important one, and one to which full justice cannot be done in the brief space allotted us in a town report. Owing to the scarcity of good gravel, and the prevalence of large boulders in most parts of the town, road making in Weston must always be expensive business. Our appropriations for highway repairs have increased from $1,000 in 1885 to $5,000 in 1889; but few towns spend as much proportionally upon their roads. How to expend this large sum to the best advantage is an important question.

The general tendency of State legislation, as well as town practice, has of late been towards centralization of highway supervision; the law now requires all towns to have three commissioners or one superintendent. Your committee are not fully of one opinion as to which is the better way. Several of our neighboring towns have adopted the plan of having one man as superintendent of roads. As far as we have been able to learn from conversation with citizens of these towns, this system gives general satisfaction. The town of Wayland adopted this plan last year; the superintendent has no trouble in getting help in different parts of the town. The men are supposed to make full time and furnish their own tools, both of which things we think men who work for the

towns should do, the same as when at work for individuals. The superintendent is not paid for his full time, but only for what time he finds it necessary to spend on the roads. One of the chief advantages of this plan is that a larger number of men are employed at a time when their work will do the most good. Another advantage is that there is a responsible head to look after things in general. Under proper supervision, a costly iron roller would not be allowed to stand out, exposed to the weather all winter long, as has been the case with Weston's roller this winter.

We think that if the town decide to continue the commissioners, they should be required to work out at least three-fourths of the regular highway appropriation before the first of July, and the treasurer should be enjoined not to pay out more than one-fourth of the money after that date; and when the money is apportioned among the commissioners, the rule should apply to each one separately. Work done early in the season is worth much more than when done in the heat of summer.

Whichever system is pursued, we think that more attention should be paid to small repairs. It has been no uncommon thing to see streams of water gullying out the middle of the road during every rain storm, for weeks in succession, thus causing not only great damage to the road, but a vast amount of annoyance to the travelling public; all of which might have been avoided by the bestowal of a slight amount of attention at the proper time.

We think that all of the principal roads in town should be traveled over often by some competent person, whose duty it should be to see that the road is kept clear of small stones, that the water runs in the gutter instead of in the middle of the road, and that all slight depressions in the roadbed are promptly filled up; for these slight depressions, if neglected, soon become mud holes, holding the water for several days

after a rain, and are anything but pleasant to meet with on an otherwise dry road. We also think that a sufficient number of men in different parts of the town should be authorized to break out roads in winter. We also think that the trees overhanging the road should, regardless of the ownership thereof, be kept trimmed up to a proper, but not an unreasonable height.

Finally, it is the opinion of your committee that the system which will most surely accomplish the desired results in all of the above-mentioned particulars, is the best system for Weston to adopt.

Respectfully submitted,

OLIVER R. ROBBINS,
EDWARD COBURN,
HENRY L. BROWN.

REPORT OF THE COMMITTEE

ON

RE-BUILDING SOUTH AVENUE BRIDGE.

At a special Town Meeting held April 27, 1889, the sum of $7,500 was appropriated for the re-building of South Avenue Bridge, and the undersigned were appointed a Committee with full power to expend the appropriation.

We now have the honor to submit a report of our proceedings under our appointment.

At the outset, the estimate upon which the appropriation was based, seemed to us to be an excessive one, and our first act was to call for a new bid. The result has certainly justified our action in this regard, as the Bridge has been built at a total cost to the Town of $5,328.97.

Moreover, this expenditure covers much work not included in the original estimate, the most important item under this head being the re-grading of the approach to the Bridge from the western side, and the raising of the abutment walks which this re-grading necessitated.

As to the design and construction of the Bridge, we quote from the report of our Engineer, Mr. Albert F. Noyes :

"The Bridge, as constructed, is similar in design to the Bridge on the Newton side of the river. Its two stone arches have a span of twenty-two feet, six inches, and a rise of eight feet and one inch. The arch stones are eighteen inches, and they, together with the skew-back and coping stone, are red feldspathic granite, obtained from Conway, N. H.

The spandrel and abutment walls are rubble field-stone masonry laid in cement mortar. The foundation of the abutments is composed of Portland cement concrete, the bottom of which is about eighteen inches below the bed of the river. The skew-back stone are also backed to the full thickness of the backing wall with Portland cement concrete, forming a part of the foundation block. The foundation of the central pier is upon a grillage of spruce timber of two courses, eight inches thick, laid at right angles to each other. It is coped with granite two feet wide and eight inches thick, and is fenced by a neat wrought iron pipe railing."

The contract for the building of the Bridge was awarded July 31, 1889, to Mr. John H. Leavitt, of Boston.

Work was begun September 24th, and finished November 16th, a temporary bridge having been open to travel in the meantime. It is but just that we should here express our appreciation of the honesty and ability with which Mr. Leavitt performed his work. We must also express our complete satisfaction with the manner in which Mr. Noyes, as Engineer, and Mr. Wm. P. Morse, as Superintendent, have rendered their efficient services.

The plans, specifications and contract for the work form Appendix A of this report.

The report of Mr. Albert F. Noyes, Engineer, forms Appendix B.

Such of the correspondence relating to the work as your Committee thinks, shall be preserved from Appendix C.

In conclusion, we join the Engineer in congratulating the Town upon having obtained in South Avenue Bridge, a structure which combines economy in construction, thorough workmanship and stability.

FRANCIS BLAKE,
BENJ. F. CUTTER,
ALONZO S. FISKE,
} *Committee.*

WESTON, MASS., Feb. 22, 1890.

REPORT OF THE BOARD OF HEALTH.

Weston has always ranked as one of the healthiest towns in the State. The past year has not been exceptional in this respect. Influenza or "La Grippe," began during Christmas week, and has run through January, with a few cases occurring during February; no fatal cases were reported to the Board, which is rather remarkable in view of the fact that in other towns and cities of this State, the death rate was alarmingly increased thereby. It is our opinion that about 50 per cent. of our population were afflicted. It apparently had no respect for persons or age, attacking those in the prime and vigor of life, as well as those in its decline. It would appear, however, that children and infants were particularly exempt, and the clinical reports throughout the civilized world substantiate the above. Only four cases of diphtheria have been reported to the Board, with one death; two cases of typhoid fever, both of which recovered. A mild type of measles has prevailed in Dist. No. 6. The above covers a period from April 1, 1889, to March 1, 1890. The Board has been called upon to investigate two cases of alleged nuisance; in neither case was any action on the part of the Board necessary, more than to call the attention of the parties at fault to the subject, who immediately adopted remedial measures. A law passed in 1887, makes it a duty of local Boards of Health to exercise a supervision over contagious diseases in animals. More especially pleura-pneumonia and tuberculosis among cattle, and glanders among horses; this last is a malignant disease greatly to be dreaded.

It prevails among the equine and also to some extent among the human family. The owner, and all who have to do with a glandered horse, are in danger of catching the disease. This disease is incurable; any person having knowledge of any animals having the appearance of being afflicted with either of these diseases, should at once notify the Board of Health. The whole number of deaths registered the past year is twenty-five, three of which it may be observed were still-born. The suicide was a stranger. No accurate estimate of the death rate per 1,000 can be made, as there has been a large accession to our population since the last census was taken. Causes of death were: probably Cancer of the Liver, 1; Eczema, 1; Still-born, 3; Heart Disease, 1; Marasmus, 1; Cerebral Congestion, 1; Apoplexy, 2; Pulmonary Phthisis, 1; Cremation, 1; Suicide, by hanging, 1; Syphlitis, 1; Pneumonia, 4; Puerperal Peritonitis, 1; Peritonitis, 1; Old Age, 1; Phthisis Pulmonalis, 1; Membranous Laryngitis, 1; Diarrhœa, 1; Cholera Infantum, 1.

Respectfully submitted,

EDWARD COBURN,
O. R. ROBBINS.
FRED W. JACKSON, } *Board of Health.*

REPORT

OF THE

TRUSTEES OF CEMETERIES.

The Trustees of Cemeteries submit the following report for the year ending February 28, 1890:

Besides the usual work of keeping the Cemeteries in order, there has been graded in Linwood Cemetery an Avenue, commencing at the southerly entrance on Linwood Avenue, running easterly the width of the Cemetery and making connection with Border Avenue, making an easier approach to the more southerly part of the Cemetery.

It was also thought expedient that something should be done to prevent the washing of Elm Avenue and a part of Border Avenue, and after careful examination, it was thought best to pave the gutters of the same and to lay a drain in Central Avenue to carry away the water. An eight-inch Akron pipe was laid nearly the entire length of the Avenue, with three catch basins connected.

It is with pleasure that we note the growing interest shown by individuals in the care of the lots owned by them. It is the aim of the Trustees to co-operate in all that may be done by the owners, that there may be a uniformity as far as possible.

There have been four lots sold, making in all forty-nine.

Receipts.

Cash received from four burial lots,	$127 80
" " " hay,	5 00
" " " wood,	9 50
Appropriated,	900 00
	$1,042 30

Expenditures.

April	L. F. Upham,	2 days	at	$2 50	$5 00
	W. H. Smith,	2 "	"	1 75	3 50
	A. Barker,	2 "	"	1 75	3 50
	R. T. Stuart,	4 "	"	1 75	7 00
May	L. F. Upham,	8 "	"	2 50	20 00
	Man,	11 "	"	1 75	19 25
	Horse,	8 "	"	1 50	12 00
	W. H. Smith,	15⅞ "	"	1 75	27 68
	A. Barker,	3½ "	"	1 75	6 13
	R. T. Stuart,	11 "	"	1 75	19 25
	F. P. Johnson, surveying,				7 70
June	L. F. Upham,				9 88
	R. F. Stuart,	2¾ days	at	2 00	5 50
	A. Barker,	1½ "	"	1 75	2 63
	W. H. Smith,	1½ "	"	1 75	2 63
Aug.	R. T. Stuart,	14 "	"	2 00	28 00
Sept.	Geo. Sanderson, cash for plants,				10 00
Oct.	L. F. Upham,	16 days' labor at		2 25	36 00
	Man,	16 "	" "	1 50	24 00
	Horse,	12½ "	" "	1 20	15 00
	John Hussey, labor as per contract, laying drain paving,				380 75
Amount carried forward.					$645 45

Amount brought forward,				$645 40
Nov.	L. F. Upham,	16 days' labor at	2 25	36 00
	Man,	16 " " "	1 50	24 00
	Horse,	12½ " " "	1 20	15 00
	F. P. Johnson, surveying,			25 00
Dec.	L. F. Upham,	10 days' labor at	2 00	20 00
	Man,	10 " " "	1 50	15 00
	Horse,	8 " " "	1 25	10 00
	Benj. Pierce, labor,			20 82
Feb.	L. F. Upham,	2 " " "	2 00	4 00
	Man,	2 " " "	1 50	3 00
	Trustees for services,			15 00
				$833 22

Receipts,	$1,042 30
Expenditures,	833 22
Balance unexpended,	$209 08

Respectfully submitted,

L. F. UPHAM,
EDWARD COBURN.

REPORT

OF THE

SCHOOL COMMITTEE.

MEMBERS OF THE BOARD.

F. H. Upham, term expires March, 1890.
Nahum Smith, " " 1891.
Charles F. Russell, " " 1892.

Nahum Smith, Chairman.
F. H. Upham, Secretary.

F. H. Upham, Sub-Committee on finance and repairs.
Nahum Smith, } Sub-Committee on text-books and
Charles F. Russell, } course of study.

HIGH SCHOOL.

Mr. F. E. Whittemore, Principal, } Spring term.
Miss Georgia Kimball, Assistant, }

Mr. Benj. J. Hinds, Principal, } Fall and Winter terms.
Miss Lizzie White, Assistant, }

Whole number of scholars enrolled,	43
Average membership,	31
Average attendance,	28

INTERMEDIATE SCHOOL.

Miss M. Eva Warren, Teacher.

Whole number of scholars enrolled,	33
Average membership,	26
Average attendance,	23

EAST CENTRE SCHOOL.—No. 1.

Miss Gertrude E. Thompson, } Teachers.
Miss Susie E. Cutter, }

Whole number of scholars enrolled,	26
Average membership,	20
Average attendance,	19

WEST CENTRE SCHOOL.—No. 2.

Miss Lura A. Dunn, Teacher.

Whole number of scholars enrolled,	20
Average membership,	18
Average attendance,	17

NORTH-WEST SCHOOL.—No. 3.

Miss Alice N. Dearing, } Teachers.
Miss Lillie I. Dunn, }

Whole number of scholars enrolled,	16
Average membership,	14
Average attendance,	12

Perfect in attendance for the year:

Bessie L. Stratton.

NORTH-EAST SCHOOL.—No. 4.

Miss Anna Coburn, Teacher.

Whole number of scholars enrolled,	53
Average membership,	49
Average attendance,	45

Perfect in attendance for the year:

Annie Lewis, Clara Bolton,
Alice M. Bolton, Sadie M. Cutting.

SOUTH-EAST SCHOOL.—No. 5.

Miss Lizzie S. Viles, Teacher.

Whole number of scholars enrolled.	33
Average membership,	30
Average attendance,	26

Perfect in attendance for the year:

Bertha Jennings, Harold Jennings,
Clifton Jennings.

SOUTH-WEST SCHOOL.—No. 6.

Miss Lizzie A. Doane, } Teachers.
Miss E. Agnes Parker. }

Whole number of scholars enrolled,	20
Average membership,	15
Average attendance,	11

The general condition of the schools of the town seems satisfactory to your committee. They have followed the plans laid out by their predecessors, and the changes made have been to extend the work begun in the past. The epidemic that has so largely affected the world during the last year, has not spared our town, and the attendance in the schools has diminished, and the work done has suffered.

Since the last School Report there has been a change of teachers in four out of our eight schools. On account of the resignation of some of the teachers, it has been necessary to make changes in the middle of a term, and the efficiency of the schools has been injured thereby. Your committee have therefore resolved to engage in the future only such teachers as will contract to finish any term which they may begin, and that the engagements with our old teachers shall be made with this understanding. It is hoped that last year's experience may not be repeated.

With the progress made in the study of music — which study has now continued for a year — the Committee are greatly pleased. The work done in the primaries is especially encouraging. The children sing accurately, and with spirit and enjoyment.

The study of drawing has been introduced during the past school year, and has so far proved successful. The committee are convinced that nothing more helpful is done in the primaries than this training of eye and ear to delicacy and exactness. The results will be far-reaching, and will better as the children's perceptions are enlarged and refined by the

discipline of the school course; but the evidence of improvement is already so marked as to give great encouragement.

It is not yet possible to estimate the practical results of the change made in the High School from a three to a four years' course. But such a change was necessary if our schools were to take the rank they should, and it is believed that the change will prove acceptable.

The addition of another year to the time to be spent in school required a revision of the course of study, and it has been strengthened as well as extended. Our schools should offer our children so good an education that none need go elsewhere for anything taught in the grades which we support. It is the desire of your Committee to make the schools, both as to what is taught and excellency in teaching, as good as any of a like grade in the State; and with your approval and the assistance of our excellent corps of teachers they will not cease to labor for this end. They ask for your interest and sympathy in their efforts.

NAHUM SMITH,
FRANK H. UPHAM,
CHAS. F. RUSSELL, } *School Committee.*

REPORT OF SUB-COMMITTEE ON FINANCE.

Appropriation for support of schools,	$5,000 00
Received from Massachusetts School Fund,	158 84
	$5,158 84
Expended under this item,	5,071 68
Balance unexpended,	$87 16

Appropriation for school incidentals,	$1,500 00
Expenditure for same,	1,495 04
Balance unexpended,	$4 96

Appropriation for text books,	$400 00
Expended under this appropriation,	399 32
Balance unexpended,	$ 68

Respectfully submitted,

FRANK H. UPHAM, *Sub-Committe.*

REPORT OF THE LIBRARY COMMITTEE.

The Library Committee respectfully submit the following report for the year ending Feb. 28th, 1890:

Two hundred and forty-six books have been added to the library during the past year, fifteen of which were presented; the balance were purchased. The whole number taken out during the year is 8180. Donations of books and pamphlets have been received from the following sources: Mrs. C. J. Paine, Prof. E. N. Horsford, Mrs. D. S. Lamson, Mr. G. W. Cutting, Mr. Wilford Woodruff, Mr. E. S. Lacey, Mr. A. L. Cutting, Mr. E. A. Jones, Secretary of the Commonwealth of Massachusetts, Secretary of the Interior Department of the State Bureau of Education, Department of Agriculture, Secretary of the Treasury of the United States, Boston Public Library, Harvard College Library, Lancaster Public Library, American Unitarian Association and the publishers of the Waltham *Free Press*. A full statement of our receipts and expenditures may be found in the Treasurer's Report. We have compared our vouchers with those of the Treasurer, and find them to correspond.

No books have been lost during the year; two books of trifling value which had been exposed to disease germs of diphtheria, have been destroyed.

The books purchased during the year are, we think, in permanent value, rather above the average of recent years. A number of important works have been added, among which may be mentioned: "American Railways," which gives an account of the wonderful achievements of engineering skill in the construction of some of our most important roads.

The work is fully illustrated. "Among the Cannibals" gives an interesting account of four years residence among the cannibals in the wilderness of Australia. "The Viking Age" gives a more full account of the history, manners and customs of the people living at the period of which it treats than any work which the library previously contained.

A "Narrative and Critical History of America" is now complete in eight volumes, fully illustrated. It is a magnificent work. We commend it to the attention of all students of American history. "The Reminiscences of Montague Williams," one of England's great criminal lawyers, will be enjoyed by those who are interested in criminal trials. We have also purchased a set of the latest edition of the "Encyclopædia Brittannica, in twenty-four volumes. The articles in this work are many of them lengthy essays, requiring some hours for perusal; for this reason we have decided that any person who is studying any particular subject may take out the volumes containing the articles relating to that subject — the books to be taken at the close of library hours on one day and returned at the opening hour of the library the next library day. The books will thus be in the library during library hours, and may be used at home between times.

Suggestions from patrons of the library in regard to the purchase of books always receive respectful attention.

OLIVER R. ROBBINS,
HORACE S. SEARS,
ELIZABETH S. GOWING. } *Library Committee.*

LIBRARY TREASURER'S ACCOUNT.

Dr.

Balance on hand March 1, 1888,	$ 10 85
Interest from Library Fund,	84 00
From Town Treasury, dog tax,	267 90
From Librarian, fines,	2 05
	$364 80

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Paid A. R. Warren, Jr., Blank-books,	$ 2 25
" Houghton & Mifflin, books,	11 00
" J. M. Heard, periodicals,	36 70
" A. H. H. Warren, books and periodicals,	8 77
" Estes & Lauriat, books,	253 02
" Henry D. Humphrey, for binding books and periodicals,	19 20
" Town of Sudbury, book,	4 00
" O. R. Robbins, items for library,	5 10
" E. H. Atwood, expressage,	3 85
" John Coburn, items for library,	1 00
Balance in Treasury,	19 91
	$364 80

HENRY J. WHITE, *Treasurer.*

Weston, Feb. 28, 1890.

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